**2018 Long-Term Stewardship Conference** 

# Unmanned LiDAR for Legacy Management

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Track 2: Advancing science and technology to reduce costs while maintaining or improving protection of human health and the environment

## Agenda

- Juniper Unmanned Commercial UAS background
- LiDAR technology development
- UAS LiDAR capabilities and limitations
- LiDAR products
- Tuba City Disposal Site project
- Change Detection
- UAS LiDAR benefits to Legacy Management
- UAS Magnetometry



## Juniper's Evolution

#### **Past**

- UAS training organization for Trimble and Topcon
  - Flight safety and FAA compliance
  - Optimal data collection

#### **Present**

- Data acquisition
  - A leading UAS LiDAR provider
  - Data processing
  - Insights
  - Solutions

#### **Future Capabilities**

- Data analytics and management
  - Predictive and prescriptive analytics

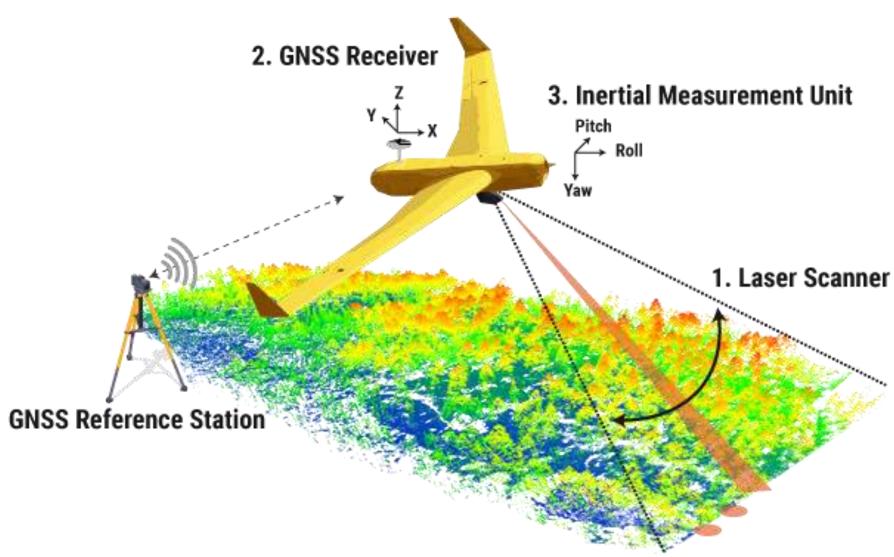


# Juniper's Stable of Platforms/Sensors

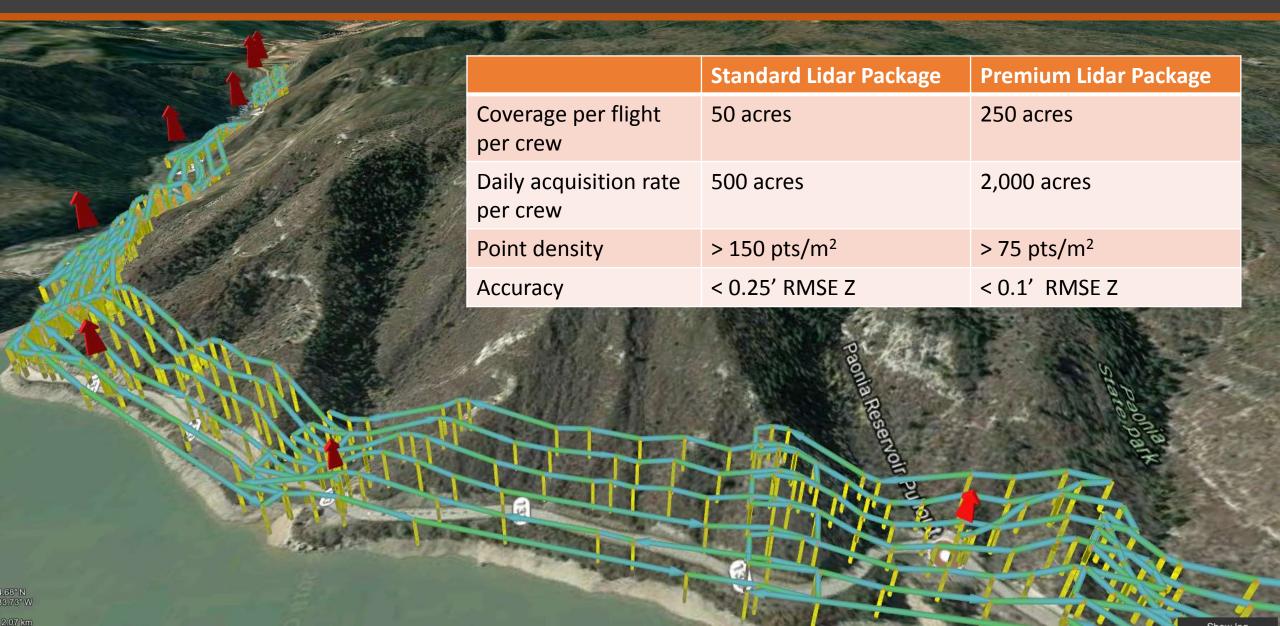


# Lidar Technology

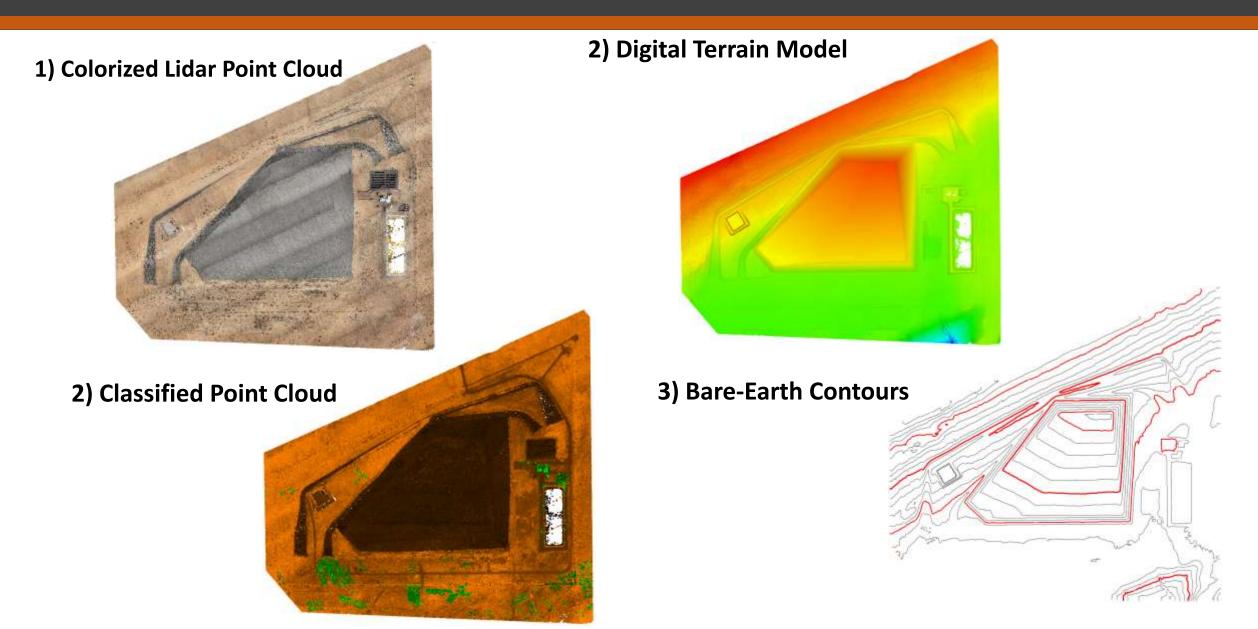




# Juniper Unmanned Lidar Capabilities

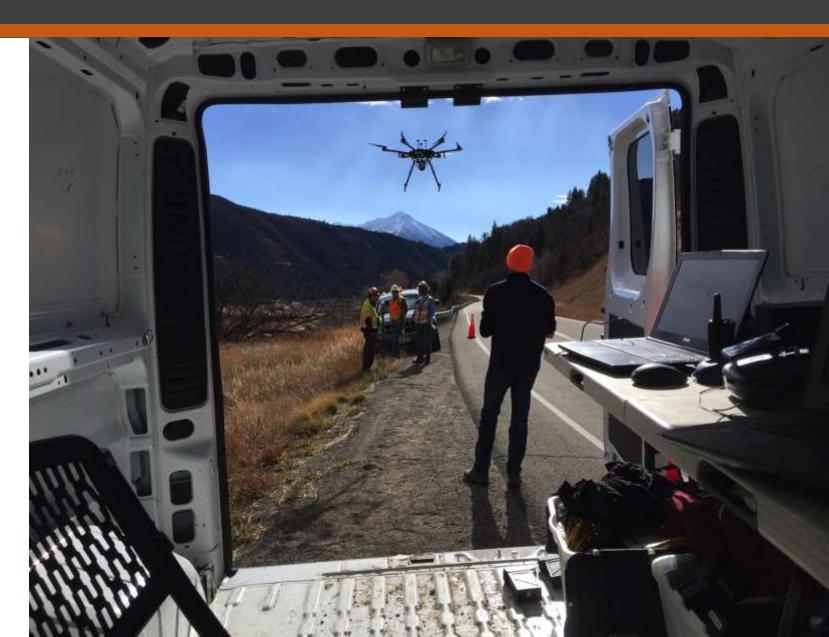


### **Elevation Data Products**



#### UAS Platform and LiDAR Limitations

- *Wind* < 25 mph
- *Elevation* < 12,000 ft
- Ground snow
- Very Dense vegetation
- Restricted airspace
- Rain/snow



## Data Acquisition - Tuba City, AZ Disposal Site



### Methods for Tuba City, AZ Disposal Site

- Acquisition Dual sensor collection
  - Riegl miniVUX-1 LiDAR sensor
  - Dual Sony a6000 RGB sensors
- Processing
  - LiDAR
    - Raw LiDAR calibration
    - Colorize point cloud
    - Classified point cloud
    - Digital Surface Model (DSM)
    - Digital Terrain Model (DTM)
    - Contour creation
  - RGB image processing
    - Ortho Mosaic
  - Survey data post processing
    - RTX/OPUS post processing and calibration
- Analysis
  - Data accuracy assessment
  - Future Change Detection



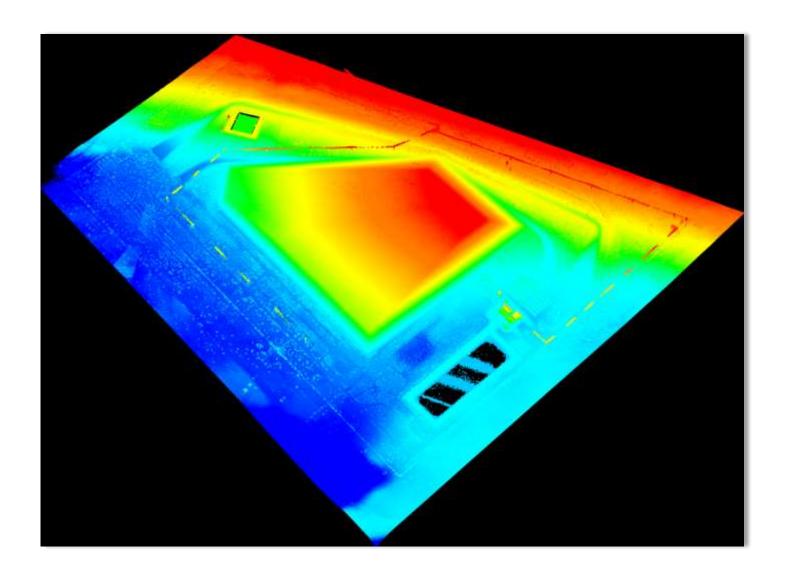
## Data Acquisition Tuba City, AZ Disposal Site

- Collection in April 2018
- 505 acres site in Arizona
- 12 ground control points
- Platform: Altus ORC2 UAS
- Sensor: Riegl miniVUX-1 LiDAR sensor - dual collect w/ two Sony a6000 cameras



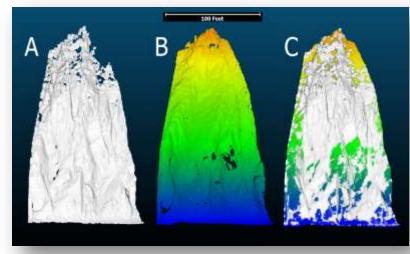
### Accuracy Assessment Tuba City, AZ Disposal Site

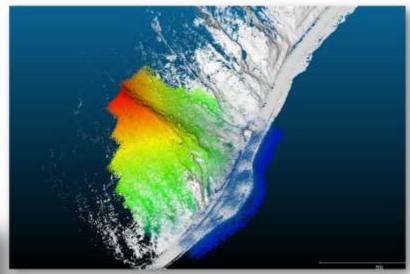
- Riegl miniVUX-1
  - RMSEz = 0.073 US survey feet
  - Point density = approx.  $75/m^2$

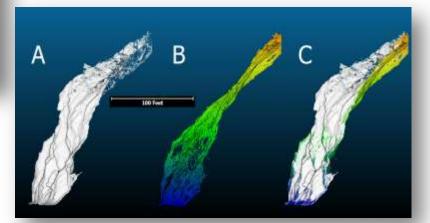


# Change Detection

- Compare multiple surfaces and detect where change has happened and by how much
- Factors affecting change detection:
  - Point cloud density
  - Terrain
  - Vegetation
  - Point Classification
  - LiDAR Sensor Accuracy
  - Post-Processing

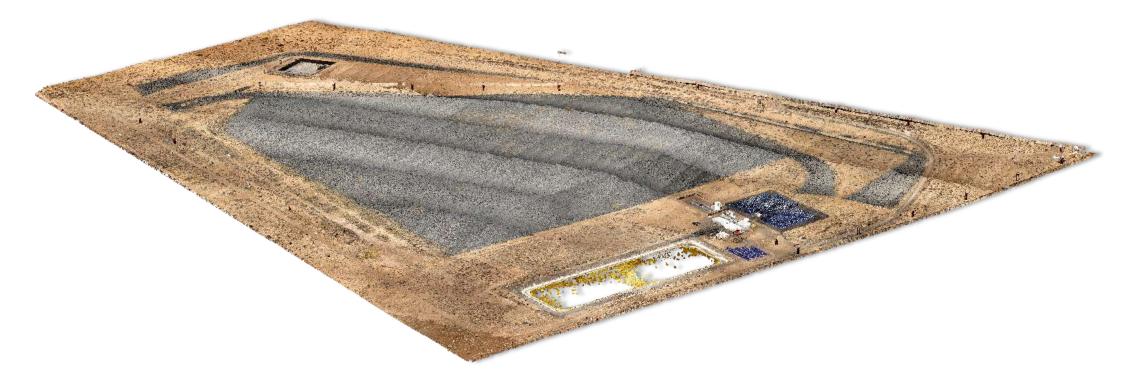




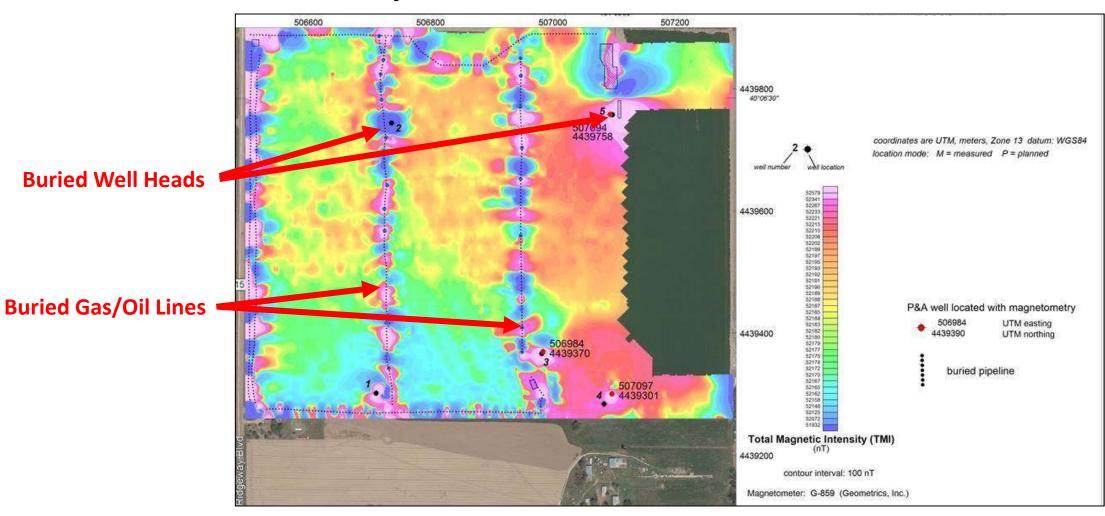


# Benefits to Legacy Management

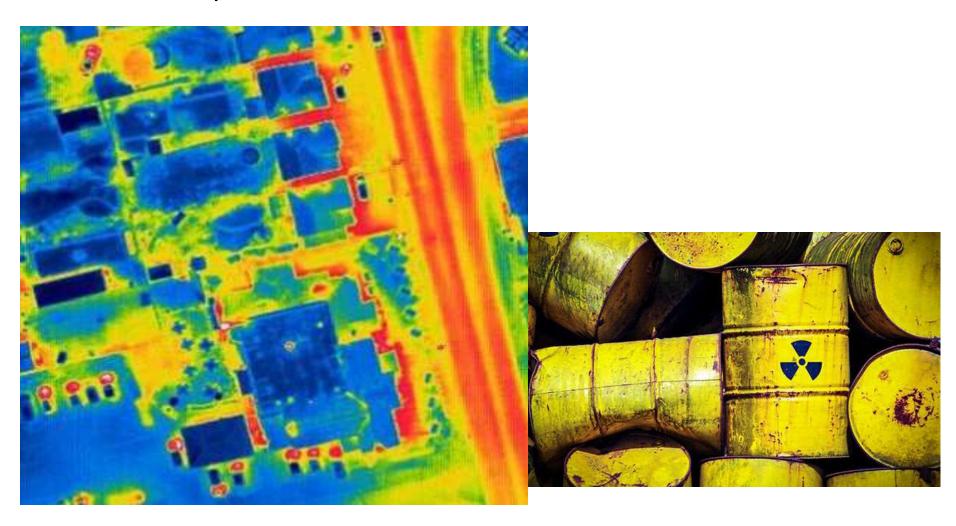
- Safety Risk factors to personnel is reduced significantly
- Efficiency 2000+ Acres per day of data collection
- Accuracy better than 1/10<sup>th</sup> of a foot
- Density Up to 250 points per meter squared



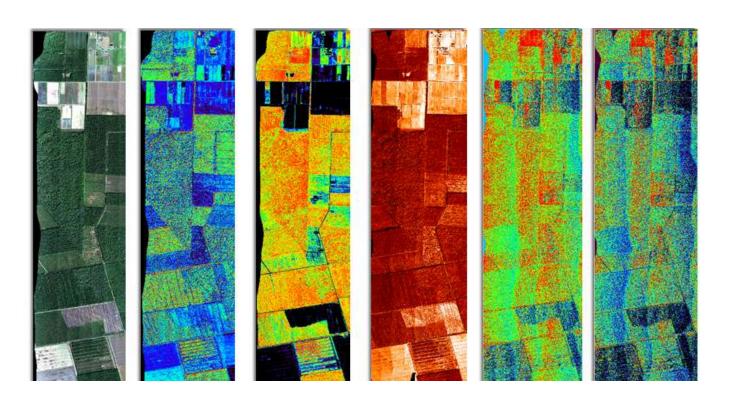
Identification of buried objects and/or materials

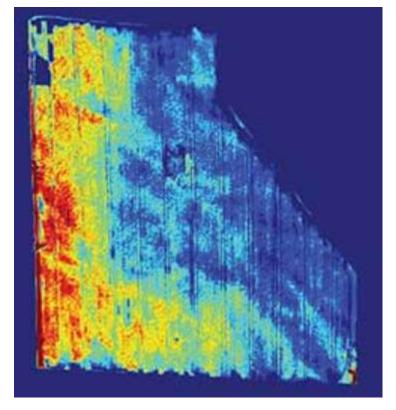


• Identification of Hot Spots from abandoned/leaked materials

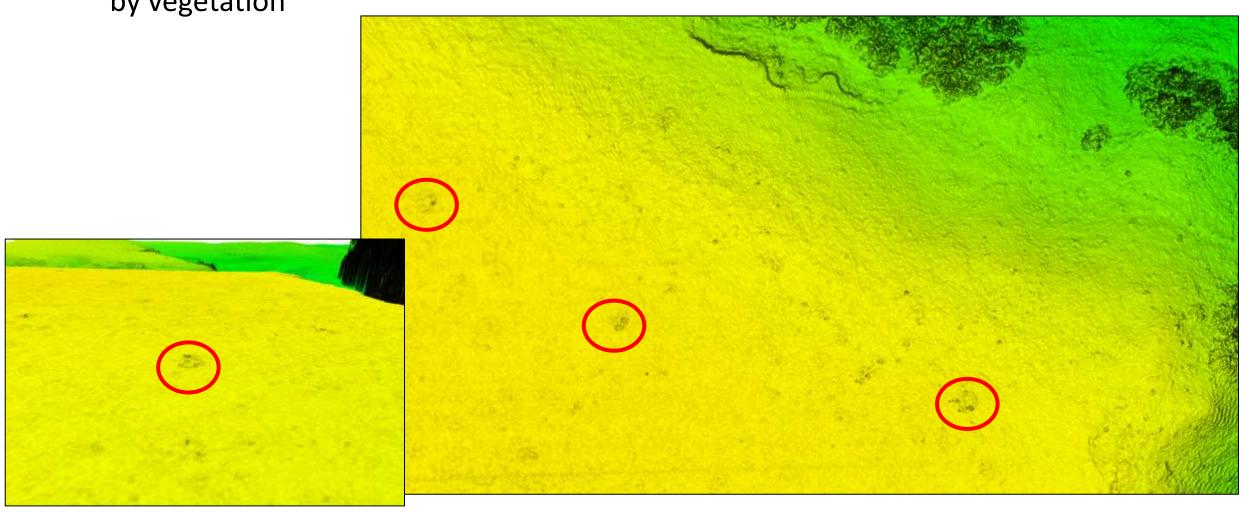


- Identification of invasive vegetation species upon the property
- Stressed vegetation as an indicator of subsurface materials





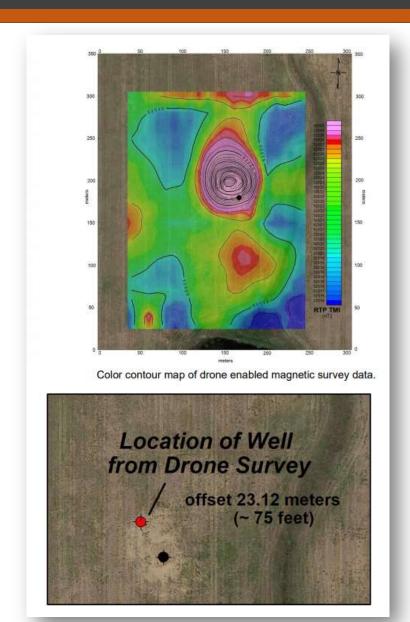
• Identification of unique natural, man-made or cultural features – Even those covered by vegetation



## New Technology: UAS Magnetometry



"My impressions/view is the MagArrow was effective in finding large ferrous anomalies like historic gas/oil wells and could provide greater cost savings for customers when compared to traditional aerial magnetic surveys."



#### Other Sensors Available

- RGB Imagery
- 4K Video
- Thermal Imagery



Bathymetry coming in Q4 2018!

Thanks...

Questions?

